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TAGS: SWEL, EFIS
SUBJECT: CONTAMINATED CANNED SALMON

PLEASE PASS FDA (SWANSON), USDA

REF: LONDON 12279; LONDON 12149; LONDON 12375

1. HMG OFFICIALS HAVE INFORMED EMBASSY THAT LABS HAVE
CONFIRMED THAT POISONING OF 4 BIRMINGHAM PENSIONERS
RESULTED FROM SALMON TAKEN FROM THE CAN LABELLED
'JOHN WEST', CONTAINING SALMON PRODUCED BY PETER PAN
SEAFOOD OF SEATTLE.

2. SEVERAL HUNDRED OTHER CANS CARRYING THE SAME SER-
IAL NUMBER - RF7GF7145 - HAVE BEEN EXAMINED WITH NO,
REPEAT NO EVIDENCE, OF CONTAMINATION UNCOVERED IN ANY
CASE. RESULTS OF SIMILAR FDA INSPECTIONS OF CANS
REPORTEDLY ARE AWAITED. HMG AUTHORITIES ARE CONTINU-
ING TO ADVISE THE PUBLIC NOT TO PURCHASE U.S. SALMON
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UNTIL THEY ARE SATISFIED THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO SYS-
TEMATIC FAULT IN THE CAN RUNWAY.

3. MINISTRY OFFICIAL ESTIMATED THAT A DECISION TO
RESCIND THE WARNINGS AGAINST PURCHASING COULD BE
MADE WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. MEANWHILE, EMBASSY
OFFICER HAS NOTED THAT A NUMBER OF SMALLER RETAILERS

IN HIS AREA OF LONDON HAVE CONTINUED TO STOCK CANS
OF U.S. PACKED SALMON.
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